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CHAPERONES

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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 10, 2001, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks. Applicants petition to extend the period of response in the above identified application for three months. A Fee Transmittal authorizing the Commissioner to charge the petition fee to our deposit account is attached. For the convenience of the Examiner a list of pending claims after entry of this Amendment is attached as Appendix I.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please substitute the following new paragraph in the specification:

Page 1, paragraph beginning at line 6:

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